# Study Abroad in INDIA



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## Madras Christian College, Chennai, India

The Pennsylvania Center for International Exchange and Partnership's partner in India is Madras Christian College (MCC), and situated on the south eastern coast of India in Chennai, the fourth largest city in India. It is an autonomous institution and is part of the prestigious University of Madras.

Located in Tambaram, a suburb of Chennai, the campus is known all over India and internationally for its academic integrity and positive reputation. Founded by Christian missionaries, Madras Christian College is an ideal example of an educational institution that reflects the amazing diversity of India in terms of language, religion, culture and ethnicity. The campus hosts over 100 international students representing numerous countries which gives the student body a global presence. MCC has around 5,000 students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs. PCIEP students will be fully integrated in the student body at MCC and in the classrooms taking classes side by side with Indian students for a full immersion program. All courses are taught in English.

The Dean of International Programs oversees all international students and programs. PCIEP's Study in India MCC Faculty Coordinator serves

# APPLY TODAY

# Now Accepting Applications for Spring and Fall 2021

### DEADLINES

- Spring 2021: October 31, 2020
- Fall 2021: March 15, 2021

## HOW TO APPLY

Complete the PCIEP online application on our website at www.GlobalPartnerships.US

COST: \$15,500 per semester SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILANLE CONTACT <u>RobertWilliam@GlobalPartnerships.US</u> 717-203-2992

as our student's primary contact on campus and organizes on-site orientation, registration, familiarity trips to the city, coaching on using the transportation system, cultural immersion programs and handles emergencies for PCIEP students.

## Academic Programs Available for Education Abroad Students

MCC offers a wide selection of majors from which students can choose their courses. Students studying abroad through PCIEP are allowed to register for practically any course that is offered provided they meet the prerequisites and there is room in the course for the semester the student wishes to enroll. All students take a mandatory course on Indian culture. Currently, PCIEP offers study abroad programs for **Social Work**, **Business Administration (with internship in spring semester)**, **History, Political Science, International Relations and Peace Studies majors or minors.** *Social Work majors receive 200 hours (or 400 plus hours) of field placement experience in a variety of non-government organizations and community-based agencies in and around Chennai.* Business Administration majors participate in a four week internship program if they enroll in the spring semester.

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## **Additional Information**

### **EXCURSIONS AND CULTURAL IMMERSION EXPERIENCES**

PCIEP offers two cultural excursions to other parts of India to enable students to appreciate the amazing diversity that is part of Indian life, culture and society. These excursions are included in the cost of the program. Students can also venture out on their own for weekend trips with other students as they learn their way around.

#### HOUSING

Air conditioned housing for PCIEP students is available right on campus within walking distance of all campus facilities such as the dining hall, classrooms, auditorium, indoor and outdoor sports facilities, library, health center, and computer labs. There are two residence halls for women and two for men. PCIEP students will share a room with other PCIEP students but will have easy access to other MCC students staying in the same residence halls. In addition, just outside the campus main gate is a hospital and a train station which provides students with easy and quick access to the city, Marina Beach (one of the world's longest and widest beaches) and major shopping centers. MCC has also built an International Guest House (IGH) on campus which is available provided there is a vacancy should family members decide to visit.

#### HEALTH INSURANCE AND SAFETY INFORMATION

All international students are required to have valid health insurance from the US and are responsible for confirming with their insurance agents that the insurance can be used in India. PCIEP can offer referrals to other private health insurance companies that offer health insurance plans for students studying abroad. Students are advised to refer to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) website for specific vaccination information for India. Special instructions and guidelines for a safe post-COVID study abroad experience will be provided by PCIEP.

### PRE-DEPARTURE, VISA, AND ON-SITE ORIENTATION

All students studying abroad at MCC through PCIEP have a mandatory pre-departure orientation session they need to participate in. This orientation covers visa application process and several topics to help students to learn what to do on arrival, help you adjust well to your new campus and surroundings, become familiar with local cultural norms, and get over jet lag. After arrival in Chennai, India, all PCIEP students will participate in an onsite orientation at MCC.

## **More Information**

To discuss your interest, contact Robert William, President/CEO:

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